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7. [] Mr. Kenneth BeLieu, Senate Liaison for the White House, returned my earlier call and I told him of our activities in connection with the Ervin bill (S. 782). I mentioned the fact that Messrs. Hampton and Modello, of the Civil Service Commission, shared our concern, that Mr. Houston and I were hoping to see Senator Ervin in the next few days, and I would also be seeing Representative Henderson. Mr. BeLieu said he would like to hear from us further after we talked to Senator Ervin.

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8. [] Mr. Drury Blair, Senate Immigration Subcommittee staff, called to confirm that Senator Hartke's bill granting permanent residence to [] has not been introduced this session and that [] was apparently trying to achieve permanent residence through "administrative" procedure. Mr. Blair said if we wished to pursue the matter further, we should get in touch with Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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9. [] Mrs. Roberts, on the staff of Chairman David N. Henderson, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, called to say that the Chairman could see me at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, 21 February.

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10. [] Met with Mr. J.R. Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and provided a copy of a blind memorandum entitled, "The Changing Strategic Naval Balance, USSR vs US." Mr. Blandford was most appreciative and indicated that it would be included in the Sea Power Subcommittee reference file for their guidance.

Mr. Blandford advised that he is working with the Chairman during the day on the organization of the various special subcommittees and that the CIA Subcommittee, in all probability, will continue as it was constituted for the brief hearing on the Pueblo on January 6.

Mr. Blandford was very interested in, and personally in accord with the Agency determination that Agency documents, such as the NIS's, not be furnished to committees of Congress. He also indicated his appreciation for being advised of this determination since there is the ready possibility that such a question would come to the attention of the Chairman. See Journal item of 12 February 1969.

I briefed Mr. Blandford on East German travel restrictions to Berlin, the Soviet collective leadership question, a limited Soviet ground forces demobilization, anticipated Soviet space activities and present assessment of

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16. [] Met with Ed Braswell, Staff Director of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and left with him copies of our package on S. 782. Braswell felt that in our presentations on this bill we should stress the unique Agency situation and the fact that the use of things such as psychology testing and the polygraph are conditions of employment which most applicants appreciate and readily agree to. In this connection, he pointed out the ingrained opposition which Senator Ervin (a former judge) has both to the polygraph and to undue emphasis on security. Braswell said that Ervin also tends to dislike the approach of what he might consider to be over zealous anti-communists, mentioning Jay Sourwine as an example.

In discussing the Ervin bill, Braswell asked if we had determined just what the Administration position would be on this legislation. I told him we had discussed the matter with Ken BeLieu, who felt he could be of little help to us at this point in time. I told him that we were also contacting the Civil Service Commission in this regard. Braswell thought this was a good idea since an Administration position will have to be reached on this legislation eventually. I also told him that the Director was planning to write Senator Ervin a letter asking for an opportunity to be heard on this bill in executive session. Braswell thought this was highly desirable.

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